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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The remarks below arc in response to the Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief mailed on November 7, 2005. Applicant conducted a Telephonic Interview with the Examiner after receiving the Notification. During the Interview the Examiner conceded that the claims of the present application did meet the requirements of MPEP 1205. Also, the Examiner agreed to enter the claim amendments from the Amendment After Appeal filed on August 29, 2005.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

Respectfully submitted,

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